SECTION VII--FOOD SERVICE ACCOUNTING

ILLUSTRATION 3A

A LA CARTE EQUIVALENTS

Ala Carte Equivalent - contains all sales of individual food items. Equivalents are most frequently determined by dividing total sales by the amount of a full price adult meal. For example:

> Total A la Carte Sales ÷ Adult Meal Price or average sale* = A la Carte **Equivalent Meals**

 $$100 \div $2.00 = 50 \text{ A}$ la Carte meals equivalent to 50 reimbursable meals

ILLUSTRATION 3B

ALLOCATION OF COST OF FOOD SOLD BY MEAL TYPE

1. Sales: 100 Breakfasts Lunches 500 A la Carte Equivalent Meals 200 Total 800

2. Standard Food Costs: At least one month's actual food costs are recorded to determine standard food costs per meal.

Breakfast \$.52, Lunches \$.72, A la Carte \$.75

Total standard cost of food sold: $(100 \text{ breakfasts } \times \$.52) = \$52.00$ $(500 \text{ lunches} \times \$.72) = \$360.00$ $(200 \text{ A la carte } \times \$.75) = \$150.00$

Total \$562.00

3. Percentages of Standard Costs by Meal:

> Breakfast \$ 52.00 divided by \$562.00 = 9.25% Lunch 360.00 divided by 562.00 = 64.06%A la Carte \$150.00 divided by \$562.00 = 26.69%

4. Total Actual Cost of Food Sold: \$590.75

(Taken from Operating Statement and includes donated food.)

5. Allocation of Total Actual Cost by Meal Type:

Breakfast 9.25% x \$590.75 = \$ 54.64 Lunch $64.06\% \times \$590.75 = \378.43 A la Carte 26.69% x \$590.75 = \$157.68

New Standard Cost Allocation 6.